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SUBJECT: END USE MONITORING LIAISON POSITION FOR EGYPT

Classified by DCM Stuart Jones for reasons 1.4(b) and (d).

(C) During a May 21 meeting with the Chief of the Office of Military Cooperation (OMC) and emboffs, the Assistant Minister of Defense for Armament, MG Fouad Abd el Halim, indicated that he would soon propose to the Minister of Defense using FMF funds for an end use monitoring liaison position in the OMC. MG Fouad stressed that "monitoring and inspections" must not be included in the position description he presents to the Minister. The OMC Chief said that US regulations require monitoring of FMF-funded equipment, and that this task is inherent in all security assistance office positions; letters of acceptance for FMS cases also incorporate this requirement. During a follow-up meeting on May 22, the Chief of the Egyptian Armament Authority, MG Mahfouz, told the OMC Chief that he will draft the letter of request for the new end use monitoring liaison position for approval by Field Marshal Tantawi. Emboffs will continue to press defense officials to get the Minister's approval for the new position.
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